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## Rural Health Policy Council 1998/99 Rural Health Services Grants

### Rural Health Policy Council Awards 1998/99 Rural Health Small Grants.

Fifty-four provider sites received a maximum of \$25,000 for a variety of projects to serve their clients. The grants include proposals which focus on the services of four of the six Policy Council departments - Health Services, Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Programs, and Emergency Medical Services Authority. The award letters were sent to successful applicants on December 7, 1998.

The Policy Council wishes to thank all applicants who participated in this year's grant competition.

FACILITY NAME	COUNTY	AWARD
1. Amador County Mental Health	Amador	\$22,440
2. San Andreas Family Practice	Calaveras	25,000
3. Colusa Family Dentistry	Colusa	25,000
4. El Dorado Co. Public Health Dept.	El Dorado	25,000
5. Hamilton City Medical Clinic	Glenn	25,000
6. Orland Family Dentistry	Glenn	25,000
7. Alcohol Drug Care Service, Inc.	Humboldt	25,000
8. Northcountry Clinic	Humboldt	25,000
9. The Mobile Medical Office	Humboldt	25,000
10. Humboldt Open Door Clinic	Humboldt	25,000
11. Willow Creek Family Health	Humboldt	25,000
12. Imperial County Mental Health	Imperial	25,000
13. Sage Community Health Center	Kern	25,000
14. Taft Community Medical Center	Kern	25,000
15. Northeastern Rural Health Clinics	Lassen	25,000
16. Kings View - Madera Counseling Ctr	Madera	25,000
17. Consolidated Tribal Health Project	Mendocino	25,000
18. Long Valley Health Center	Mendocino	25,000
19. Mendocino Coast Clinics, Inc.	Mendocino	25,000
20. Mendocino Co. Public Health/AODP	Mendocino	24,789
21. Potter Valley Community Health Ctr	Mendocino	25,000
22. Mendocino Comm. Health Clinic	Mendocino	19,124
23. Livingston Comm. Health Services	Merced	24,990
24. Mammoth Hospital	Mono	25,000
25. Community Health Clinic OLE	Napa	25,000
26. Nevada County Public Health	Nevada	25,000
27. Placer Co. Community Clinic	Placer	25,000
28. San Benito Co. Substance Abuse Prg.	San Benito	24,915

FACILITY NAME	COUNTY	AWARD
29. San Benito Co. Health/Human Serv.	San Benito	25,000
30. St. John of God Health Services	San Bernardino	25,000
31. North Country Health Services	San Diego	25,000
32. Tracy Family Practice	San Joaquin	25,000
33. Comm. Health Ctrs. Central Coast	San Luis Obispo	25,000
34. San Luis Obispo Co. Health Agency	San Luis Obispo	25,000
35. San Luis Obispo Co. Health Agency	San Luis Obispo	25,000
36. Santa Ynez Tribal Health Clinic	Santa Barbara	25,000
37. Hill Country Community Clinic	Shasta	25,000
38. Shasta Community Health Center	Shasta	25,000
39. Happy Valley Family Health Center	Shasta	24,960
40. Shingletown Medical Center	Shasta	25,000
41. Butte Valley/Tulelake Rural Health	Siskiyou	25,000
42. Happy Camp Health Services	Siskiyou	23,959
43. Salmon River Volunteer Fire Rescue	Siskiyou	8,000
44. Siskiyou County Public Health Dept.	Siskiyou	25,000
45. Siskiyou Family Healthcare	Siskiyou	12,500
46. Dixon Family Practice	Solano	25,000
47. Copper Tower Family Medical Ctr.	Sonoma	25,000
48. Sutter Yuba Mental Health Services	Sutter	24,693
49. Hyampom Community Serv. District	Trinity	7,880
50. Southern Trinity Health Services	Trinity	25,000
51. Kings View - Tuolumne Co. Mental Health/Alcohol & Drug Services	Tuolumne	25,000
52. Salud Clinic	Yolo	25,000
53. Lindhurst Family Dentistry	Yuba	25,000
54. Peach Tree Clinic	Yuba	24,750

**TOTAL AMOUNT FUNDED: \$1,293,000**

## Funding Source of the Month

### Joseph Alexander Foundation

The foundation focuses on grants for social services along the lines of substance abuse prevention, children's programs, welfare reform, and family planning. Some mental health projects have also won grants. Based in New York City, the foundation makes grant applying simple. It has no geographic restrictions, no deadlines and requires no letter of inquiry. Just send a full proposal to headquarters. Contact Joseph Alexander Foundation, 400 Madison Avenue, Suite 906, New York, NY 10017; phone (212) 355-3688.

## Rural Hospital Services Grant Program 1998/99

Forty-four of the 67 eligible hospitals took advantage of this year's Rural Hospital Services Program. Although the recipients of this year's program are listed on our web site, the awards are listed here, in order by county, for those who do not have access to the Internet.

Hospital	County	Allocation
Biggs-Gridley Memorial Hospital	Butte	\$25,000
Mark Twain St. Joseph's Hospital	Calaveras	25,000
Colusa Community Hospital	Colusa	21,228
Sutter Coast Hospital	Del Norte	25,000
Marshall Hospital	El Dorado	25,000
Selma District Hospital	Fresno	6,000
Sierra Kings District Hospital	Fresno	6,000
Glenn Medical Center	Glenn	13,436
Southern Inyo Hospital	Inyo	6,000
Kern Valley Hospital District	Kern	6,608
Ridgecrest Regional Hospital	Kern	6,000
Tehachapi Valley Healthcare District	Kern	10,427
Redbud Community Hospital	Lake	25,000
Sutter Lakeside Hospital	Lake	25,000
Lassen Community Hospital	Lassen	24,098
Avalon Municipal Hospital	Los Angeles	6,000
John C. Fremont Healthcare District	Mariposa	12,489
Frank R. Howard Memorial Hospital	Mendocino	25,000
Mendocino Coast District Hospital	Mendocino	25,000
Ukiah Valley Medical Center	Mendocino	25,000
Modoc Medical Center	Modoc	6,000
Surprise Valley Community Hospital	Modoc	6,000
Mammoth Hospital	Mono	16,482
George L. Mee Memorial Hospital	Monterey	6,000
Tahoe Forest Hospital District	Nevada	25,000
Eastern Plumas Health Care District	Plumas	7,324
Plumas District Hospital	Plumas	16,337
Seneca Hospital District	Plumas	19,341
Palo Verde Hospital	Riverside	6,000
Hazel Hawkins Memorial Hospital	San Benito	25,000
Bear Valley Community Healthcare Dist.	San Bernardino	6,000
Hi-Desert Medical Center	San Bernardino	19,471
Lompoc Hospital District	Santa Barbara	8,571
Mayers Memorial Hospital District	Shasta	6,000
Sierra Valley District Hospital	Sierra	6,000
Mercy Medical Center - Mt. Shasta	Siskiyou	25,000
Healdsburg General Hospital	Sonoma	25,000
Oak Valley Hospital District	Stanislaus	7,786
St. Elizabeth Hospital	Tehama	25,000
Trinity Hospital	Trinity	15,757
Lindsay District Hospital	Tulare	12,117
Memorial Hospital at Exeter	Tulare	6,000
Sonora Commnity Hospital	Tuolumne	17,270
Tuolumne General Hospital	Tuolumne	25,000
<b>Total of Awards</b>		<b>\$681,742</b>

## Proposed Rural Health Policy Council Public Meeting Schedule for 1999

**March 19**, Friday, 8:30am-11:00am  
Fish Camp  
Tenaya Lodge. In conjunction with the California Healthcare Association/Rural Healthcare Center's Rural Healthcare Symposium.

**May 26-30**  
San Diego  
Sheraton Hotel. In conjunction with the National Rural Health Association's 22nd Annual National Conference on Rural Health. Time, specified day TBA.

**October 6-8**  
North Lake Tahoe  
Granlibakken. In conjunction with the fall 1999 conference of the Regional Council of Rural Counties. Time, specific day TBA.

**November 18**, Thursday  
Monterey  
In conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the California State Association of Counties. Time and location TBA.

## Reminder



### Clearer Interpretation of Telemedicine Act Amendments

Please refer to your November Medi-Cal *Provider Bulletin*, Medical Services Section.

The California Department of Health Services (DHS) interpretation of recent amendments to the Telemedicine Development Act of 1996 has been clarified in the publication.

## Rural Demonstration Projects

by Sunni Burns, PRHCSB

The Rural Demonstration Project Infrastructure Grant awards were released by the Department of Health Services' Primary and Rural Health Care Systems (PRHCS) Branch on December 4, 1998. (see list at right). Fifty-three applicants were funded. A total of 77 applications were received, representing requests for \$18,533,450 over the three-year period (February 1, 1999 through December 31, 2001).

The term of the grants for the approved applications will vary, as some awards were made for Calendar Year 1999 only, while others were for Calendar Years 2000 or 2001, or a combination. Awards for Calendar Year 1999 total \$2,775,000; for Calendar Year 2000, the total awarded was \$2,950,000; for Calendar Year 2001, \$2,851,000 was awarded.

The Department of Health Services' Primary and Rural Health Care Systems Branch is currently developing the grant agreements. Applicants funded at a level less than was requested may expect to be contacted shortly by the Rural Demonstration Project Program Analyst to negotiate a revised budget and scope of work. The PRHCS Branch's first priority for negotiation will be grants that include Calendar year 1999. Grants will be effective February 1, 1999, and it is anticipated that grantees will receive their grant copies for signature late January or early February.

Please call Sunni Burns, Chief, Primary Health Services Development Programs at (916) 654-2334 for additional information.

## Healthy Families Rural Demonstration Project Awards



### Applicant

Marshall Hospital  
Firebaugh Community Health Center  
Sequoia Community Health Foundation  
United Health Centers of San Joaquin  
Valley Health Team  
Wayne Kodama/Healthy Smiles Mobile  
Open Door Community Health Centers  
Clinica Sierra Vista  
Rodrigo Terronez/National Farmworker  
Adventist Health Redbud Comm. Hosp.  
Sutter Lakeside Hospital  
Big Valley Medical Center  
Northeastern Rural Health Clinics  
Avalon Medical Development Corp.  
Darin M. Camarena Health Centers  
Valley Children's Hospital  
Consolidated Tribal Health Project  
Mendocino Community Health Clinic  
Potter Valley Community Health Center  
Bloss Memorial Healthcare District  
Golden Valley Health Centers  
Canby Family Practice  
Surprise Valley Health Care District  
Mammoth Hospital  
Clinicas de Salud del Valle de Salinas  
Community Health Clinic Ole  
St. Joseph Hospital of Orange  
Tahoe Forest Health Services  
Inland Empire Community Health Center  
Inland Faculty Medical Group  
San Luis Obispo County Public Health  
Galt Medical Center  
San Benito County Health & Human Serv.  
Escondido Community/Mountain Valley  
Southern Indian Health Council  
Burney Fire Protection District  
Burney Fire Protection District  
Mayers Memorial Hospital District  
Shasta Community Health Center  
Western Sierra Medical Clinic  
Happy Camp Health Services  
Karuk Tribe of California  
Siskiyou Family Healthcare  
Copper Towers Family Medical Center  
Occidental Area Health Center  
Tehama County Health Center  
Southern Trinity Health Service  
Family HealthCare Network  
Memorial Hospital at Exeter/San Juan Medical  
Tulare Community Health Clinic  
Sonora Community Hospital  
Tuolumne General Hospital  
Communicare Health Centers

### Total

### County

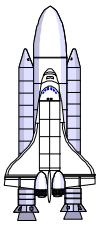
El Dorado \$200,000  
Fresno 200,000  
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Fresno 140,000  
Fresno 244,000  
Fresno 196,000  
Humboldt 130,000  
Kern 100,000  
Kern 150,000  
Lake 214,000  
Lake 125,000  
Lassen 117,000  
Lassen 74,000  
Los Angeles 150,000  
Madera 200,000  
Madera 230,000  
Mendocino 100,000  
Mendocino 210,000  
Mendocino 100,000  
Merced 172,000  
Merced 125,000  
Modoc 185,000  
Modoc 147,000  
Mono 200,000  
Monterey 114,000  
Napa 112,000  
Orange 215,000  
Placer 113,000  
San Bernardino 96,000  
San Bernardino 170,000  
San Luis Obispo 100,000  
Sacramento 212,000  
San Benito 84,000  
San Diego 210,000  
San Diego 100,000  
Shasta 175,000  
Shasta 74,000  
Shasta 115,000  
Shasta 200,000  
Sierra 178,000  
Siskiyou 239,000  
Siskiyou 250,000  
Siskiyou 180,000  
Sonoma 180,000  
Sonoma 95,000  
Tehama 173,000  
Trinity 150,000  
Tulare 150,000  
Tulare 225,000  
Tulare 210,000  
Tuolumne 150,000  
Tuolumne 247,000  
Yolo 150,000

### 3-yr Total

**\$8,576,000**

## Jobs Available Update

Health care positions recruitment has taken off like a rocket in the RHPC "Jobs Available" Program. The RHPC Office will surpass its goal before the end of the 98/99 fiscal year. Currently the database has 159 listings of which 102 are in patient care, 18 in ancillary care, and 39 in administrative service.



Of greater news is the 484 positions that have been filled: 235 in patient care, 63 in ancillary care, and 186 administrative service.

The RHPC Office is very proud of the service it has been able to provide to our constituents by posting available positions on its web site.

Don't hesitate to call Kathleen Maestas, Jobs Coordinator, at 1-800-237-4492, or visit our website.

## Loan Repayment Opportunity

The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) is pleased to announce a one-time loan repayment program for primary care medical and dental clinics located in rural Health Professional Shortage Areas of California.

The program is intended for the most needy clinics (freestanding and hospital owned) in the recruitment and retention of primary care physicians (MDs or DOs), physician assistants, family nurse practitioners, certified nurse midwives and dentists. A total of \$450,000 is available through the newly created Rural Health Professional Loan Repayment Program. Awards of up to \$25,000 will be granted to chosen clinics for the purpose of repaying the educational loans of health professionals practicing at their sites.

The State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP) will match the funds awarded to clinics on a 50-50 basis. Clinics will not be required to provide the matching funds typically required under the SLRP.

The application period for the Program is January 19-29, 1999. To receive an application, contact Michael Savino at (916) 654-2080 or at e-mail address: [msavino@oshpd.cahwnet.gov](mailto:msavino@oshpd.cahwnet.gov)

## For Your Information

The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development's

**Rural Health Development Grants** answers to questions from prospective applicants are on the Rural Health Policy Council web site. The site address is:

<http://www.ruralhealth.ca.gov>

Click on the RHPC Grant Highlights on the menu line on the left side of the screen.

\*Applications must be post-marked no later than 1/29/99 or hand-delivered no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, 1/29/99, at the RHPC Office.

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